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## US Politics, Labor, Crime, and Transparency Updates Today



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### EU Criticises U.S. Visa Bans Amid Rising Policy Tensions

The European Union has sharply criticised the U.S. for imposing new visa restrictions on several European officials involved in technology regulation. EU leaders called the move “unjustified,” warning it could strain transatlantic collaboration. U.S. authorities defended the bans, saying they

protect national interests and counter foreign interference. The debate highlights ongoing tensions over digital governance and international diplomacy.

### U.S. Labor Unions Mobilise Against 'Billionaire First' Agenda

Major U.S. labor unions are intensifying opposition to what they describe as the "Billionaire First" economic agenda. Unions argue recent executive actions undermining collective bargaining rights for federal workers represent the largest attack on organized labor in decades. The House passed legislation to restore those rights, and union leaders plan to push the Senate in 2026.

Broader issues, including income inequality, healthcare access, and housing affordability, are also being highlighted ahead of upcoming elections.

### DOJ Uncovers Over a Million Possible Epstein Related Documents

The U.S. Department of Justice has discovered over a million documents potentially related to the Jeffrey Epstein case, which may delay full public release. The trove will be reviewed to protect victim privacy, though critics warn it could postpone transparency. The development has sparked renewed debate over accountability and disclosure, while some political figures caution against potential reputational consequences.